

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTERACTIVE READING AND LANGUAGE
INSTRUCTION

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A reading or language interactive system which utilizes a
5 mechanism to permit a computer-based instruction program in reading
or language instruction to implement a shared reading program,
wherein portions of the text are read by the student and portions
by the computer itself. The proportion of the text "read" by each
participant and the pace at which the lesson progresses can each be
10 automatically altered based upon the proficiency of the student.
In addition, the system utilizes a computer instructor to share the
task of reading or language learning by modeling the task for the
learner, variably controlling the amount of material that the
student reads aloud based upon a computer assessment of the
15 student's ability, helping the learner navigate through the
instructional application, and participating in a joint performance
that demonstrates the student's reading.